

Amendments to the Claims

1. *(Currently Amended)* A shaving head ~~(8)~~ comprising:
 - at least one cutting blade ~~(10, 12)~~ and
 - actively driveable skin stretching means ~~(14)~~ arranged behind said cutting blade ~~(10, 12)~~ relative to a cutting direction ~~(16)~~ of said cutting blade ~~(10, 12)~~, characterized by means ~~(18)~~ for providing a pivot axis ~~(20)~~ between the shaving head ~~(8)~~ and a handle ~~(22)~~ attached or attachable to said shaving head ~~(8)~~, said pivot axis ~~(20)~~ being arranged at least essentially parallel to said cutting blade ~~(10, 12)~~.
2. *(Currently Amended)* The shaving head ~~(8)~~ according to claim 1, wherein between said shaving head ~~(8)~~ and said handle ~~(22)~~, when attached to the shaving head ~~(8)~~, there is provided at least one spring element ~~(24; 26)~~.
3. *(Currently Amended)* The shaving head ~~(8)~~ according to claim 1, further comprising guard means ~~(28)~~ arranged in front of said cutting blade ~~(10, 12)~~ relative to said cutting direction ~~(16)~~ of said cutting blade ~~(10, 12)~~.
4. *(Currently Amended)* The shaving head ~~(8)~~ according to claim 3, wherein said guard means ~~(28)~~ are adapted to perform a hair erecting function.
5. *(Currently Amended)* The shaving head ~~(8)~~ according to claim 3, wherein said guard means ~~(28)~~ are adapted to perform a lubricating function.
6. *(Currently Amended)* The shaving head ~~(8)~~ according to claim 3, wherein said guard means ~~(28)~~ comprise at least one strip ~~(30)~~ arranged parallel to said cutting blade ~~(10, 12)~~.
7. *(Currently Amended)* The shaving head ~~(8)~~ according to claim 3, wherein said pivot axis ~~(20)~~ is arranged such that a force component applied perpendicularly to said cutting direction ~~(16)~~ during a shaving operation is distributed at least essentially in equal parts to said actively driveable skin stretching means ~~(14)~~ and said guard means ~~(28)~~.

8. *(Currently Amended)* The shaving head ~~(8)~~ according to claim 3, wherein said pivot axis ~~(20)~~ is arranged closer to said guard means ~~(28)~~ than to said actively driveable skin stretching means ~~(14)~~.

9. *(Currently Amended)* The shaving head ~~(8)~~ according to claim 1, wherein said means for providing a pivot axis ~~(20)~~ parallel to said cutting blade ~~(10,12)~~ comprise first coupling means ~~(38)~~ for coupling said shaving head ~~(8)~~ to said handle ~~(22)~~.

10. *(Currently Amended)* The shaving head ~~(8)~~ according to claim 1, wherein said actively driveable skin stretching means ~~(14)~~ comprise at least one actively driveable roller ~~(32)~~.

11. *(Currently Amended)* The shaving head ~~(8)~~ according to claim 10, wherein the sense of rotation ~~(34)~~ of said roller ~~(32)~~, when active during a shaving operation, corresponds to its reeling sense of rotation ~~(34)~~ relative to said cutting direction ~~(16)~~ and that the rotational speed of the actively driven roller ~~(32)~~ is higher than the rotational speed that would result from the movement of the shaving head ~~(8)~~.

12. *(Currently Amended)* The shaving head ~~(8)~~ according to claim 1, wherein said actively driveable skin stretching means ~~(14)~~ are driven via a movement of the shaving head ~~(8)~~ over skin to be shaved.

13. *(Currently Amended)* The shaving head ~~(8)~~ according to claim 1, wherein said actively driveable skin stretching means ~~(14)~~ are driveable by an electromotor ~~(36)~~.

14. *(Currently Amended)* The shaving head ~~(8)~~ according to claim 13, wherein said electromotor ~~(36)~~ is associated with said shaving head ~~(8)~~.

15. *(Currently Amended)* The shaving head ~~(8)~~ according to claim 13, wherein said electromotor ~~(36)~~ is associated with said handle ~~(22)~~.

16. *(Currently Amended)* The shaving head ~~(8)~~ according to claim 15, further comprising second coupling means ~~(54)~~ for coupling said skin stretching element to said electromotor ~~(36)~~.